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11. (S) A/DCM delivered reftel talking points to Ambassador Jose Luis Cancela, Director General of the Secretariat and the third most senior offical at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, on December 3. Cancela took the NIE seriously and over the course of a detailed discussion commented that the GOU is concerned with the possibility that Chavez will bring Iranian "nuclear problems" to this hemisphere. Cancela did not comment on GOU plans to make a public statement regarding Iran at this time. A/DCM left talking points and the key judgements from the NIE as non-papers.

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